



756 Kensington Road

1790

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Norton House

Philip Norton (1801-1880) owned a sawmill, & Elizabeth Newbury (1811-1889). Their granddaughter is Marjorie Moore who left a charitable foundation for the town.

1873 – An Account of houses standing in the south part of Kensington 100 years since – Griswold Family Scrapbook: The place occupied by Philip Norton was then owned and occupied by Mr. Gideon Williams with an old house standing on it. The house still stands at 756 Kensington Road with Norton Rd. It was built ca 1799-00 by Gideon Williams, an adopted son of Nathan Cole (1711-1783) whose father Nathaniel Cole (1679-1743) bought the land from Samuel Bronson, It is likely Nathan built the old house mentioned ca 1736 when he married Ann Galpin (1715-1780). Ann Galpin Cole is said to be the first person buried in Dunham Cemetery. The old house was demolished sometime in the 19th century.

1934 WPA Census of Old Buildings in Connecticut Survey at the Connecticut State Library Digital Collection. Slide #055

1800 Original owner: Gideon Williams, also called Norton House

Current owner: Marjorie Moore, Harold Munson

Kensington Road and Hudson Street

Wood house, peak roof, central brick chimney, two stories and a rear, 9 window front, paired, stone foundation, the house has a course in cornice



half, ell in the double dentil

1935 Susqui-Centennial Celebration of the Town of Berlin – Berlin Old Houses.

About 1800 Gideon Williams current owner: Howard Munson

Kensington Road

Sketch

1985 Townwide Historic and Architectural Survey of Berlin, Connecticut. Survey # 071

1790 current owner: Elizabeth & Robert Papertsian

2018 Town of Berlin GIS Index.

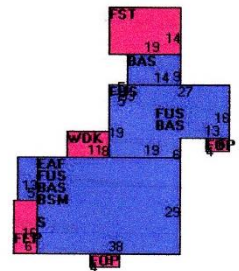
1800 current owner: Robert & Jenna Audette

Genealogy

Philip Norton (1801-1880) son of Samuel Norton, Revolutionary War soldier & Phebe Edward. In 1849 he owned a sawmill. In 1835 he married Elizabeth Newbury (1811-1889). They had children: John, Henrietta, Alice, George, Elizabeth, Sarah. Daughter Henrietta married Roswell Moore. Their granddaughter is Marjorie Moore who left a charitable foundation for the town.

Gideon Williams (1737 or 1740-1821) son of Thomas Williams & Hannah Tryon in Wethersfield. Gideon was adopted by Nathan Cole. In 1764 he married Patience Graham (1740-1812). They had children: Rhoda, Hannah, David, Prudence, Thomas, Gideon, Nathan, Josiah, Sarah, Lydia, Patience.

Nathan Cole (1711-1783) son of Nathaniel Cole & Elizabeth Woodford. He was a Separatist and joined the Berlin Congregational Church. He wrote The Spiritual Travels of Nathan Cole, a copy is at the CT Historical Society. In 1736 he married Anne Galpin (1715-1780) daughter of Ensign Samuel Galpin & Anne Knight. They had no children. He adopted Gideon Williams. They are buried in Dunham Cemetery.



HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

HIST-6 NEW 5/77

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
59 SOUTH PROSPECT STREET, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06106
(203) 566-3005

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Town No.:	Site No.:
UTM:	
QUAD:	
DISTRICT	IF NR. SPECIFY
<input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR	<input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential

IDENTIFICATION		DESCRIPTION	
1. BUILDING NAME (Common) <u>#071</u> (Historic)			
2. TOWN CITY <u>Berlin</u>		VILLAGE <u>Kensington</u>	
3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location) <u>756 Kensington Road</u>		COUNTY <u>Hartford</u>	
4. OWNER(S) <u>Elizabeth & Papertsian, Robert J.</u>		9 Wild Rose Ct., Cromwell Hills Cromwell, CT 06416 <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	
5. USE (Present) <u>Residence</u>		(Historic) <u>Residence</u>	
6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
7. STYLE OF BUILDING <u>Vernacular</u>		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION <u>c. 1790</u>	
8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Clapboard <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding <input type="checkbox"/> Brick <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle <input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding <input type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone <input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten <input type="checkbox"/> Stucco <input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Type: _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cut stone Type: <u>Brownstone foundation</u>			
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood frame <input type="checkbox"/> Post and beam <input type="checkbox"/> balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Load bearing masonry <input type="checkbox"/> Structural iron or steel <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____			
10. ROOF (Type)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gable <input type="checkbox"/> Flat <input type="checkbox"/> Mansard <input type="checkbox"/> Monitor <input type="checkbox"/> sawtooth <input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel <input type="checkbox"/> Shed <input type="checkbox"/> Hip <input type="checkbox"/> Round <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ (Material) <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle <input type="checkbox"/> Roll Asphalt <input type="checkbox"/> Tin <input type="checkbox"/> Slate <input type="checkbox"/> Gable end to the street <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asphalt shingle <input type="checkbox"/> Built up <input type="checkbox"/> Tile <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ridge parallel to the street			
11. NUMBER OF STORIES <u>2 1/2</u>		APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS <u>37' x 28'</u>	
12. CONDITION (Structural)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated			
13. INTEGRITY (Location)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original site <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/> WHEN? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <u>Sash, siding</u>			
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barn <input type="checkbox"/> Shed <input type="checkbox"/> Garage <input type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Carriage house <input type="checkbox"/> Shop <input type="checkbox"/> Garden			
15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT			
<input type="checkbox"/> Open land <input type="checkbox"/> Wood-land <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scattered buildings visible from site <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Indus-trial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural <input type="checkbox"/> High building density			
16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS			
<u>In lightly settled area south of Kensington town center.</u>			

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DESCRIPTION (Continued)	17. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)		
	<p>This house has a five-bay facade. Most exterior fabric has been obscured by the application of modern siding. The central entry has side transom lights and is protected by a portico on square posts. Windows are fitted with old 6-over-6 sash and modern storm sash; facade windows are offset slightly towards the corners of the house. First-floor windows are taller than those on the second floor, and second-floor windows are located immediately under the eaves. There is a large central brick chimney. The left elevation features a framed-in one-story porch; to the rear are a number of extensions and a variety of agricultural outbuildings.</p>		
SIGNIFICANCE	18. ARCHITECT		BUILDER
	<p>19. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE</p> <p>Although much of its exterior detailing is obscured by modern siding, this house is significant as a surviving example of an 18th-century central chimney house. The basic plan, massing, and ridge-parallel orientation are all typical of the 18th century. The five-bay facade with its offset windows and the location of the second-floor windows high under the eaves are also common features. The lack of hewn overhangs at the second floor and gable ends makes it likely that this house was built in the last quarter of the century.</p> <p>Little could be uncovered about the early history of the house. During the 19th century, it was owned by Philip Norton.</p>		
SOURCES	<p>1855 Atlas 1869 Atlas</p>		
PHOTO	PHOTOGRAPHER HRC		DATE 11/84
	VIEW NW		
COMPILED BY	NEGATIVE ON FILE H2		DATE 12/84
	NAME Historic Resource Consultants The Colt Armory 55 Van Dyke Avenue Hartford, Connecticut 06106		
20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS			





Town of Berlin, CT

Property Listing Report

Map Block Lot

15-3-71D-11A

Account

1048800

Valuation Summary (Assessed value = 70% of Appraised Value)

Item	Appraised	Assessed	Subarea Type	Gross Area (sq ft)	Living Area (sq ft)
Buildings	148900	104200	Upper Story, Finished	1728	1728
Extras	0	0	Attic, Expansion, Finished	1102	496
Improvements	148900	104200	Basement	1102	0
Outbuildings	0	0	Porch, Enclosed, Finished	96	0
Land	118900	83200	Deck, Wood	88	0
Total	267800	187400	First Floor	1904	1904

Outbuilding and Extra Features

Type	Description

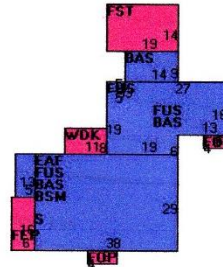
Porch, Open, Finished	56	0
Utility, Finished	266	0

Sales History

Owner of Record	Book/ Page	Sale Date	Sale Price
AUDETTE ROBERT & JENNA	721/ 395	3/14/2016	168500
PAPERTSIAN PAMELA	517/ 358	11/6/2003	0
PAPERTSIAN, ELIZABETH,,	338/ 750	12/31/1992	0

Street Index	6
Acreage	0.93
Utilities	Water, Gas, Septic
Lot Setting/Desc	Level
Additional Info	

Sketch



Primary Construction Details

Year Built	1800
Stories	2
Building Style	Three-Family
Building Use	Residential
Building Condition	G
Interior Floors 1	Hardwood
Interior Floors 2	
Whirlpool Tub	
Total Rooms	15

Bedrooms	8 Bedrooms
Full Bathrooms	3
Half Bathrooms	0
Extra Fixtures	
Bath Style	Average
Kitchen Style	Average
Roof Style	Gable
Roof Cover	Asph/F Gls/Cmp
Fireplaces	2

Exterior Walls	Vinyl Siding
Exterior Walls 2	
Interior Walls	Drywall
Interior Walls 2	
Heating Type	Hot Water
Heating Fuel	Oil/Gas
Fin Basement Area	
Fin BSMT Quality	
Fin BSMT Area 2	